GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Commercial Taxes Department – Report of Vigilance & Enforcement – Illegal refunds granted to M/s.K.L.Sreedhar Reddy, Works Contractors, Nellore – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Smt. T.L.B.Natasha, former CTO-III, Nellore – Entrusted to Commissioner of Inquiries - Enquiry report received and communicated – Explanation received - Further action dropped - Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.1 Dated:03.01.2022

Read the following:

1. From the DG(V&E) & E.O. Prl. Secy to Govt, Vigilance Report No. 13 (C.No. 1596/V&E/R1/2013, dated: 30.01.2014.
2. G.O.Ms No.323, Revenue(Vig.II)Department, dated: 21.06.2018.
3. G.O.Rt.No.890, Revenue (Vig-II) Department, dated 21.06.2018
4. G.O.Rt.No. 847, Revenue (Vig.II) Department, dated: 09.08.2019.
5. G.O.Rt.No.848, Revenue (Vig.II) Dept., dated 09-08-2019.
6. G.O.Rt.No. 1426, Revenue (Vig.II) Dept., dated: 05.12.2019.
7. From G.A. (COI-R) Department, U.O.Note No.15/COI-R/2019-1, dt:12.02.2020.
8. G.O.Rt.No.356, Revenue (Vig.II) Dept., dated 19.03.2020.
9. D.O.Lr.No.45/COI-TAT/2020, Dated 08-06-2021.
10. Memo No.4794/Vig.II(3)/2014-16, dated:12.10.2021.
11. Representation from Smt. T.L.B. Natasha, Asst. Director, APSRDI, dt:08.11.2021.

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ORDER:

Where as in the Vigilance Report 1st read above, the General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department, after conducting enquiry into the irregular refunds to M/s. K.L.Sreedhar Reddy, Nellore, Works Contractors, have recommended to initiate departmental action against Smt. T.L.B.Natasha, former CTO-III, Nellore and others for violation of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

2. Where as in the G.Os. 2nd and 3rd read above, common disciplinary proceedings have been initiated by framing the following Article of Charges against Smt. T.L.B.Natasha, former CTO-III, Nellore:-

Charge:

That the said Smt. T.L.B. Natasha, Commercial Tax Officer-III, Nellore and Presently working as Commercial Tax Officer (Audit), O/o the Deputy Commissioner (Commercial Taxes), Guntur Division committed grave irregularities in granting the refund of taxes of Rs 5,35,54,005/- in respect of M/s K.L. Sreedhar Reddy, Works Contractors, Nellore i.e. works contractor dealer, for the period from 2005-06 to 2009-10 without giving due regards to the provisions under section 22(3) and rule 18 (3) (b) and other relevant provisions of the A.P.VAT 2005, G.O.Ms.No.94 Irrigation and CAD (PW-COD) Department dated 01.07.2003, and failed to exercise due diligence in granting the said refund of tax, causing loss to the public exchequer and correspondingly allowing undue enrichment to an extent of Rs 5,35,54,005/- to the dealer. Thus it is a clear case of dereliction to duty, willful negligence and criminal misconduct on the part of the said officer.

Thus, Smt. T.L.B. Natasha, Commercial Tax Officer-III, Nellore and Presently working as Commercial Tax Officer (Audit), O/o the Deputy Commissioner (Commercial Taxes), Guntur Division by her above mentioned acts, exhibited lack of integrity, indiscipline, devotion to duty, conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant in violation the provisions under rule 3(1) and (2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (conduct) Rules, 1964.

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3. Subsequently, Government have appointed Sri R.P. Sisodia, IAS, Commissioner of Inquiries (COI) (I/c) to enquire into the charges framed against Smt. T.L.B.Natasha, former CTO-III, Nellore and another Charged Officer involved in this case. In the G.O. 8th read above, the case was re-assigned to Sri T.A. Tripathi, I.P.S., Commissioner of Inquiries from Sri R.P. Sisodia, I.A.S., to inquire into the charges framed against Smt. T.L.B. Natasha, former Commercial Tax Officer-III, Nellore.

4. Sri T.A. Tripati, IPS, Commissioner of Inquiries submitted the Inquiry Report vide D.O. Letter 9th read above, wherein it was held that the charges levelled against Smt. T.L.B.Natasha, former Commercial Tax Officer-III, Nellore are not proved. The Inquiry Report was communicated to the Charged Officer, vide Govt. Memo 10th read above. The Charged Officer furnished her explanation vide her representation 11th read above.

5. Government, after examining the entire matter, have decided to drop further action against Smt. T.L.B.Natasha, former Commercial Tax Officer-III, Nellore. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against Smt. T.L.B.Natasha, former Commercial Tax Officer-III, Nellore, in this matter.

6. The Chief Commissioner of State Tax, AP, Vijayawada shall take further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

MUKESH KUMAR MEENA
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (CT)

To
Smt. T.L.B.Natasha, former Commercial Tax Officer-III, Nellore (through the Chief Commissioner of State Tax, Andhra Pradesh, Eedupugallu, Vijayawada).
The Chief Commissioner of State Tax, Andhra Pradesh, Eedupugallu, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi, Guntur District.
The Director General, Vigilance & Enforcement, Andhra Pradesh, P.N.Bus Station, II Floor, NTR Administrative Block, Vijayawada.
The General Administration (COI) Department, A.P.Secretariat, Building No.5, Velgapudi, Guntur District.
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//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER